

## DP WORLD LAUNCHES VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME FOR STAFF TO CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

Head Office staff volunteer to work at Dubai Centre for Special Needs

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, June 24, 2013:-** Global marine terminal operator DP World has launched "DP World in the Community", a Corporate Responsibility programme that gives its Dubai Head Office employees time off work to get involved in voluntary community activities.

Participants have the opportunity to initially spend one working day each year contributing their time, knowledge and skills towards a social cause in a practical and tangible way.

Marking the launch of the programme, a group of 11 DP World Head Office employees spent a day at the Dubai Centre for Special Needs supporting teachers in classroom activities, such as helping students of various ages with writing, arts and crafts, and putting puzzles together. The volunteers were also involved in a pottery making workshop, learning sign language and a cooking class.

## Mohammed Sharaf, Group Chief Executive Officer, DP World, said:

"DP World plays a significant role in the communities in which we operate and we strongly believe that it is our responsibility to contribute to their long term sustainability. We encourage our employees to engage with the community and actively make a difference. Volunteer work in such programmes enriches the quality of life of both volunteers and the people they help."

## Kathryn Wightman-Beaven, Director - Global Corporate Responsibility, DP World, said

"We launched the 'DP World in the Community' programme in response to our employees' eagerness to get involved in community work. DP World believes it is important to support and nurture such passion and commitment to do something beyond the workplace. The response we received to our first engagement is extremely encouraging and we hope to do much more in the future."

The programme encourages the volunteers to share their experience with their colleagues and inspire them to also get involved.